

3 June 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Geographic Research, ORR

SUBJECT: Geography Division Progress Report for May 1960

A. Research and Technical Support Activity During May:

1. Reports Disseminated

Requester

CIA/RR GR L-60-1	Cuba: Part XVIII	WH/DR/P
CIA/RR GP 60-27:L (Revised)	Tourist, Industrial, and Professional Objectives In and Near Leningrad	GM/TF
*CIA/RR GP 60-59:L	Geographic Analysis of the Berezovka Area	GM/TF
CIA/RR GP 60-61:L	NIS 39B, Nationalist China, Map and Chart Appraisal Component of Chapter I Annual	NIS Program
*CIA/RR GP 60-62:L	Review of NIS 22, Rumania, Section 62	M/FP/RR
CIA/RR GP 60-63:L	Tourist, Industrial, and Professional Objectives in the Kuybyshev-Stalingrad Area	GM/TF
CIA/RR GRA SC-60-1	Determining the Location of Certain Intelligence Installations in European Satellites	Self-initiated

2. New Projects Under Way

60.1737	NIS 26M, USSR, Section 19, Chapter I (coordination)
60.1758	NIS 28B, Lebanon, Map and Chart Appraisal Component of Chapter I Annual (research)
60.1817	NIS 103, South Pacific Islands, Chapter IX (research)
60.1844	Borders, Communist Bloc Nations: a. China-Mongolia b. Afghanistan-Pakistan
60.1860	South Vietnam (GM)

\*Work initiated during the month.

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B. Planning and Development

The Geographic Intelligence Review has been eliminated as a publication series effective with the publication of GIR 60-1 in June. A number of considerations were involved in the action, the principal of these being: the desire of the USIB Ad Hoc Committee on Foreign Intelligence Publications to reduce the number of publication series; the availability of other series to accommodate self-generated reports produced for the GIR; and the benefits in reduced processing overhead and increased production schedule flexibility that would be achieved. The GIR type of production will be continued as programmed work by each area branch, with retailoring and tighter intelligence focus of individual studies as necessary.

The following D/GG projects were cancelled:

- 61.1766 Southeast Asia Discussion Group. The chairmanship of this group has passed out of D/GG.
- 61.1768 Administrative Divisions of Indonesia. Issuance of FDD Summary #2536 on the same subject precludes necessity for further work on this project. Recommendation was made to GC/F that the related cartography project be completed in view of the limitations of the map work accompanying the FDD Summary.
- 63.1842 Results of the Law of the Sea Conference. There were no results that warranted an intelligence publication.
- 60.1845 GIR 60-2. This is in line with the recommendation of the USIB Ad Hoc Committee on Foreign Intelligence Publications.

The USSR Town Plan Program is being revamped to fit a new, and more realistic, DD/P list of 12 cities for which detailed analysis is required. Consideration has now been given to the existence of actual operational capabilities, and priority targets for which there are no operational capabilities have been deleted. The town plans for the 12 cities will be more comprehensive, and therefore more time consuming, than the plans issued to date because information on target installations, landmarks, and tourist attractions will be required.

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25X1A5a1 for exploitation of the unpublished materials of [REDACTED] progressed further during the month. It has been ascertained that [REDACTED] is agreeable to receiving an external research proposal from [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] has investigated probable future I/GM requirements on GG/E. At present I/GM foresees no need for studies of missile-related activity for countries other than East Germany (which has been completed except for one overlay). They have no need now for the target studies of plants or plant complexes. It was suggested that GG/E may be of assistance in keeping track of deployment in the European Satellites.

An exhaustive study of the D/GG clerical problem culminated in a memorandum to AD/RR under date of 26 May, requesting review of clerical allocations in the Office with the objective of replacing D/GG attrition.

The organization meeting of the Arctic Area Discussion Group has been scheduled for 8 June.

The Division completed its submissions to be used in the preparation of the Fiscal Year 1961 Operating Budget, the Fiscal Year 1962 Preliminary Estimates, and the Fiscal Year 1962 Office Estimates.

#### C. Significant Outside Contacts and Activities

A meeting of the Chapter IX Subcommittee was held on 19 May 1960 to continue discussion of a new Chapter IX format. Agreement was reached on a proposal for general reorganization of the Chapter IX, as well as on the elimination of certain types of content. The Coordinator will incorporate all Subcommittee agreements (including an expanded Chapter IX outline) in a memo of recommendation which will be circulated to the Subcommittee members for review and comment prior to its submission to the NIS Committee.

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[REDACTED] continues to attend the weekly Department of State meetings on the collection of overt intelligence on Africa. After a half dozen meetings the situation is as follows: The Army has a keen interest; the Air Force still has not defined its interest; the Navy member does not attend; the Office of the Secretary of Defense has no sustaining interest; and GG/N continues to be the main substantive component concerned with Africa in these meetings.

A meeting with [REDACTED] and Ch/G on the proposed PI manual for Africa to be made [REDACTED] resulted in the decision to go ahead but to obtain oral backstopping from Army, Air Force, ICA, State, and DD/P.

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[REDACTED] conferred with [REDACTED] ONE, concerning the status of the Sinkiang-Mongolian border. The conference will be followed up by GG/F preparation of a brief report on the topic.

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[REDACTED] gave two lectures this month, the first on ORR Research Capabilities and Resources for the DD/P CLW course, and the second on his recent Africa trip for the Africa Roundtable. (Air Force and NSA were represented at the Roundtable for the first time at this meeting.) Excellent cooperation was provided by ERA for the first lecture.

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In preparation for a lecture to be given in August [REDACTED] OTR is to consult with GG/F personnel concerning the role of geographic factors in the selection of sabotage targets and the actual destruction of those targets. It is anticipated that in the August sabotage course, which will be a follow-up of that presented in April, GG/F and IR lectures will be complementary -- IR to describe selected targets, and GG/F to indicate the physical and cultural factors to be taken into consideration in effectively sabotaging those targets.

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[REDACTED] gave a briefing on the Soviet Railroad network to members of the U.S. Railroad Delegation who will visit the USSR shortly. He later received a commendation from the head of the delegation on his briefing. [REDACTED] I/PE, interpreter for the delegation, on geographic intelligence gaps.

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25X1A9a [REDACTED] attended the 14th Annual Meeting of the Middle East Institute on 6 May 1960.

25X1A9a As a result of Mr. Sherman Kent's memorandum to Ch/G on "The Kurds in 1959" [REDACTED] has discussed the Kurd paper with additional DD/P personnel, who could see nothing out of line in the statements regarding possible unrest. A discussion of the subject with Department of State personnel, without reference to the Kurd paper, brought similar reactions.

#### D. Problems

The large-scale effort on the USSR NIS Chapter IX contribution, originally programmed for the beginning of the year, has been delayed several times by the [REDACTED] program. Meeting the July deadline will require intensive utilization of much of the available manpower of GG/S in the next two months.

#### E. Miscellaneous

25X1A9a Word was received that full security clearance has been obtained for [REDACTED], and it is anticipated that he will be asked to report for duty in GG/F in the immediate future.

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[REDACTED] has completed preparations to deliver a briefing to CINCNORAD and Staff on Soviet activities in Antarctica in Colorado Springs, 6 June; this briefing was formerly scheduled for 10 May.

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[REDACTED] completed processing for overseas travel and will leave as scheduled on 1 June. He was briefed informally by DD/P personnel and through formal channels by the Iran desk and other intelligence personnel of the Department of State.

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Chief, Geography Division

<u>Project Control<sup>1/</sup></u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Requester</u>	<u>Status<sup>1/</sup></u>	<u>Est. Date of Publication<sup>1/</sup></u>
<u>Geographic Intelligence Review, CIA/RR GIR</u>				
60.1821	Geographic Intelligence Review, GIR 60-1	Routine	In Reprod.	Jun 60
<u>Geographic Intelligence Reports (for standard distribution), CIA/RR GR</u>				
61.1212	Geog. of Sinkiang	DD/P	In abeyance	Open
64.1419	USSR RR (GR 60-2)	St/TR/RR	**	III 60
69.1655	NonSov. Activ. in Antarctica during IGY	Self-init.	In abeyance	Open
63.1720	Olsztyn Region of Poland	Self-init.	**	III 60
63.1767	Industrialization of Slovakia	Self-init.	*	III 60
#63.1861	Roads in Yugoslavia	Self-init.	**	III 60
<u>Geographic Intelligence Reports (for limited and special distribution), CIA/RR GR L</u>				
69.1279	Satellite Geod. Activ. since Sofia Conf.	Self-init.	Deferred	Open
61.1357	North Korea Target Study: Ch'ongjin	DD/P	In abeyance	Open
63.1728	Agr. Region, Rumania	M/AG/RR	In abeyance	Open
60.1742	The Kurds: Annexes 1 and 3	OIS for NEA	*	Open
64.1786	Underground Nuclear Explosions	2561A8a1	In abeyance	Open
60.1800	Cuba	2561A8a	*	Jun 60
69.1828	Analysis of Sov. Impact Accuracies, Pacific	Self-init.	*	Jun 60
69.1840	Paraguay		*	Open
<u>Geographic Intelligence Memorandum</u>				
#61.1860	South Vietnam	Self-init.	*	Jul 60

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<u>Geographic Support Projects, CIA/RR GP</u>				
63.1341	City Plan: Sofia, Bulgaria	DD/P	Deferred	Open
64.1437	USSR Atlas (GP 60-60)	25X1482t.	***	III 60
64.1698	USSR City Plans	[REDACTED]	*	Open
63.1715	Research for Agr. Maps of E. Germany	M/AG/RR	Deferred	Open
63.1741	Index for plotting mapping Eur. Satellites	Self-init.	*	Open
64.1744	Safe Areas: China	SAC	**	Jun 60
64.1745	Safe Areas: USSR	SAC	In abeyance	Open
61.1774	Vul. Analysis of Supply Routes in Tibet	DD/P	*	Jun 60
69.1776	Soviet Dev. in Geodasy, etc. (ICBM)	Self-init.	In abeyance	III 60
64.1777	Tourist Objectives: Soviet Cities	I/GM/RR	*	III 60
60.1801	Boundary Inventory	IRC/GG/State	*	Feb 61
60.1804	Article for Intelligence Studies	Self-init.	In abeyance	Open
63.1824	Plotting Missile-Related Activities	I/GM/RR	*	Open
63.1841	Determ. Location, Certain Instal. in E. Europe	Self-init.	*	Open
60.1844	Borders, Com. Bloc Nations	DD/P	*	Dec 60
<u>External Research, CIA/RR X</u>				
69.908	Sov. Geod. and Photogram. Instruments		In abeyance	Open
69.908	A Report on Sov. Cartography		In abeyance	Open
69.908	Selected List of Ref. to Sov. Cartography		In abeyance	Open
69.908	Selected Bibliography of Sov. Geodesy		In abeyance	Open

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60.1737	NIS 26M,	USSR	Jun 60	NIS Section 19 Chapter I
60.1830	NIS 21M,	Yugoslavia	31 Aug 60	
60.1831	NIS 34,	Afghanistan	31 Oct 60	
60.1832	NIS 14M,	Poland	30 Dec 60	
60.1833	NIS 38,	Burma	31 Jan 61	
60.1834	NIS 46,	Tunisia	28 Feb 61	
60.1835	NIS 16,	Austria	31 Mar 61	
60.1836	NIS 53A,	UAR: Part A, NIS 28A, Syria Part B, NIS 53B, Egypt	31 May 61	
60.1837	NIS 86,	Venezuela	31 May 61	
60.1838	NIS 35, Annex,	Bhutan	30 Jun 61	
60.1758	NIS 28B,	Lebanon	15 Jun 60	NIS Section 19 Chapter I ANNUAL
60.1847	NIS 5,	Belgium	15 Aug 60	
60.1848	NIS 15,	India	15 Sep 60	
60.1849	NIS 6A7,	Italy	17 Oct 60	
60.1850			15 Nov 60	
60.1851	NIS 6,	Luxembourg	15 Dec 60	
60.1852	NIS 29,	Jordan	5 Jan 61	
60.1853	NIS 48,	Morocco	19 Jan 61	
60.1854	NIS 41B,	South Korea	15 Feb 61	
60.1855	NIS 24,	Greece	15 Mar 61	
60.1856	NIS 41A,	North Korea	17 Apr 61	
60.1857	NIS 7,	Denmark	15 May 61	
60.1858	NIS 42,	Thailand	15 Jun 61	
60.1688	NIS 137,	Egypt	Jun 60	NIS Chapter IX
60.1689			Jun 60	
60.1690	NIS 50B,	Nigeria and British Cameroons	Jun 60	
60.1817	NIS 103,	South Pacific Islands	Oct 60	
60.1818	NIS 50A,	Ghana	Jan 61	
60.1819	NIS 57,	Rhodesia and Nyasaland	Mar 61	
60.1820	NIS 26M,	USSR (5 studies)	Jun 61	

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